Learning Support Volunteer/Tutor

Umoja Community Mosaic
Calgary, AB

Part-time Volunteer position

Full Volunteer Description

**Umoja Community Mosaic** began in 2010 as a drop-in soccer program called Soccer Without Boundaries. Soccer Without Boundaries operated as a small grassroots organization with a big impact on social inclusion. Through soccer, we have built healthy communities – we have created an environment that allows young people to shine, with a motto, “Everyone is welcome”. In 2020, we widened the scope of our services in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, and increased our organization’s mandate. We changed our name to Umoja Community Mosaic to reflect this expansion using the word “Umoja”, meaning “unity” and “belonging” in Swahili.

In response to the voices coming from the communities we serve, we began a culturally appropriate food and nutrition program for low income and underserved Calgarians. We are also continuing to provide after-school programming and tutoring. In addition to our weekly soccer programming and summer soccer camps, we are planning a girls soccer program (for older youth) to begin in 2023. We will also formally incorporate anti-racism into all of our work, along with a focus on mental health into our regular soccer programming.

Volunteer as a learning partner in one of our community partner programs in Calgary, AB. Choose to work one-on-one or in group settings with children or youth. Work directly with learners on their homework assignments, life skills, and other engaging, inclusive, and fun learning activities.

On average, tutors spend 1-3 hours per week volunteering. Programs are located in SE, SW, NE, & NW Calgary. Virtual options may also be available.

Requirements:

- An inclusive, respectful approach to working with learners, that prioritizes the learner’s strengths and goals

- A solution-oriented and flexible attitude, as every session can be different
- No teaching or education experience is necessary - our volunteers come from many different backgrounds and experiences!

- Willingness to commit to a regular tutoring schedule and show up for all sessions

**What you'll receive:**

- Gain experience working with communities in alternative learning settings, which can present unique challenges and rewards. You will not only build a relationship with program learners and fellow volunteers, but also with our community partners.

- Receive training focused on student-centered individualized learning and anti-oppression, as well as ongoing support from staff, and engagement with your fellow tutors.

- We can provide a reference after 3 months of volunteering, and you can also be added to our internal email list to receive updates on employment postings.

Part-time hours: 1-3 hours per week

Please note that a Vulnerable Sector Police Check must be completed prior to starting the volunteer position.

For more information, please contact: volunteer@umoja mosaic.org
Volunteer Application Form

(Please print clearly)

Personal Details

Name: ____________________________________________________________________________

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY): ____________________________________________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________________________

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Postal Code: ________________ Telephone: ____________________

Email Address: ____________________________________________________________________________

Why are you interested in volunteering at Umoja Community Mosaic?

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What areas are you interested in? (please check all that apply)

Food Program  Soccer Program  Tutoring/Education Program

What days and time of the week would be most convenient for you? (please check boxes)

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How many hours per week would you normally be able to offer? ____________

Have you had a police check completed within the last 6 months? ____________
If no, are you willing to have one done? 

Have you ever participated in Umoja programs as a participant? 
If yes, what programs? 

Have you ever been a volunteer for Umoja before? 
If yes, in what area? 

Parent/Guardian Information (if under 18 at the time of application)

Full name: 
Telephone: 
Email: 

I, _____________________________ consent to _____________________________

(parent / guardian name) (volunteer applicant)

volunteering at Umoja Community Mosaic.

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(parent / guardian signature) (date)